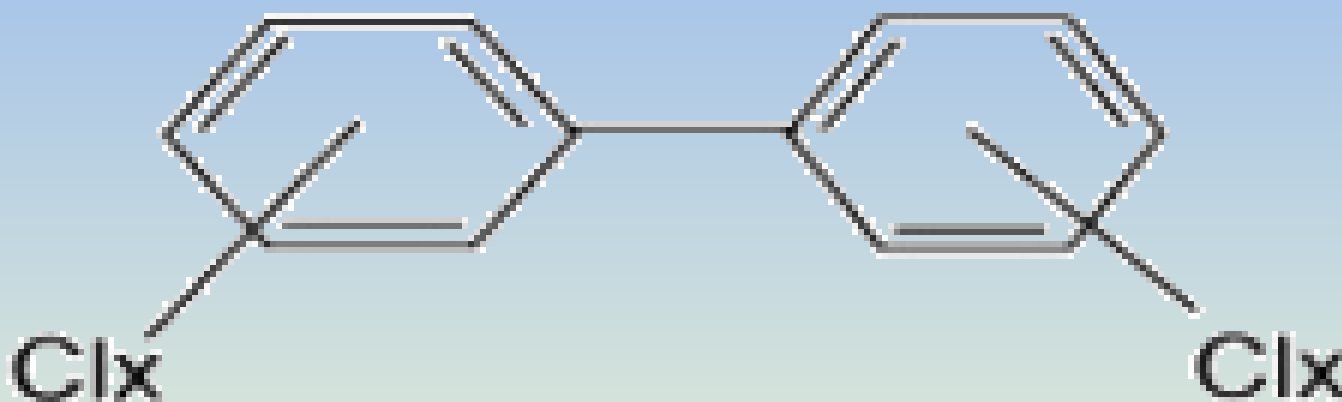


# PCB TMDL Monitoring Guidance – 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

VPDES Point Source Discharges



Alan Pollock, Charles Martin & Arthur Butt

VADEQ

June 11, 2007



# Overview

- **Objective**

- **Review**

**Background**

**Monitoring & Methods**

- **Permit Guidance**

- **Issues**

- **Where**

- **Who**

- **When**

**Response to Comments**

**Guidance Development**

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**Data Quality Issues**



# Objective

- *To establish guidance and procedures for implementing PCB point source monitoring through the VPDES permit program for development of TMDLs.*
- **Schedule – 3 meetings**
  - **March 29, 2007**
  - **June 11, 2007**
  - **Final meeting with guidance document – July**



# Purpose

## Develop Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)

### **Collect source-specific PCB effluent to:**

- improve information concerning potential sources of PCBs
- develop PCB monitoring procedures
  - ensures representative and comparable
  - adopt sampling and analytical procedures

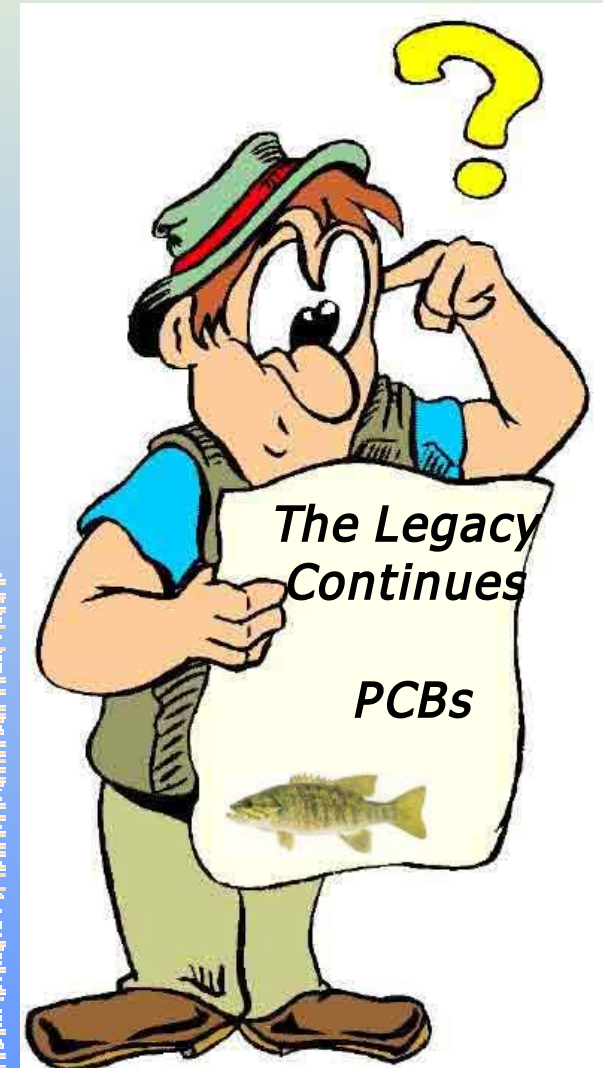
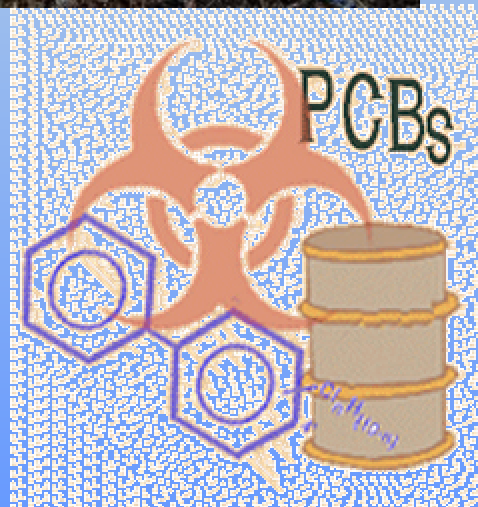
# **Role of the TAC**

## **Guidance Development**

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) represents the interested agencies, utilities, local governments, businesses, and environmental groups. The TAC will:

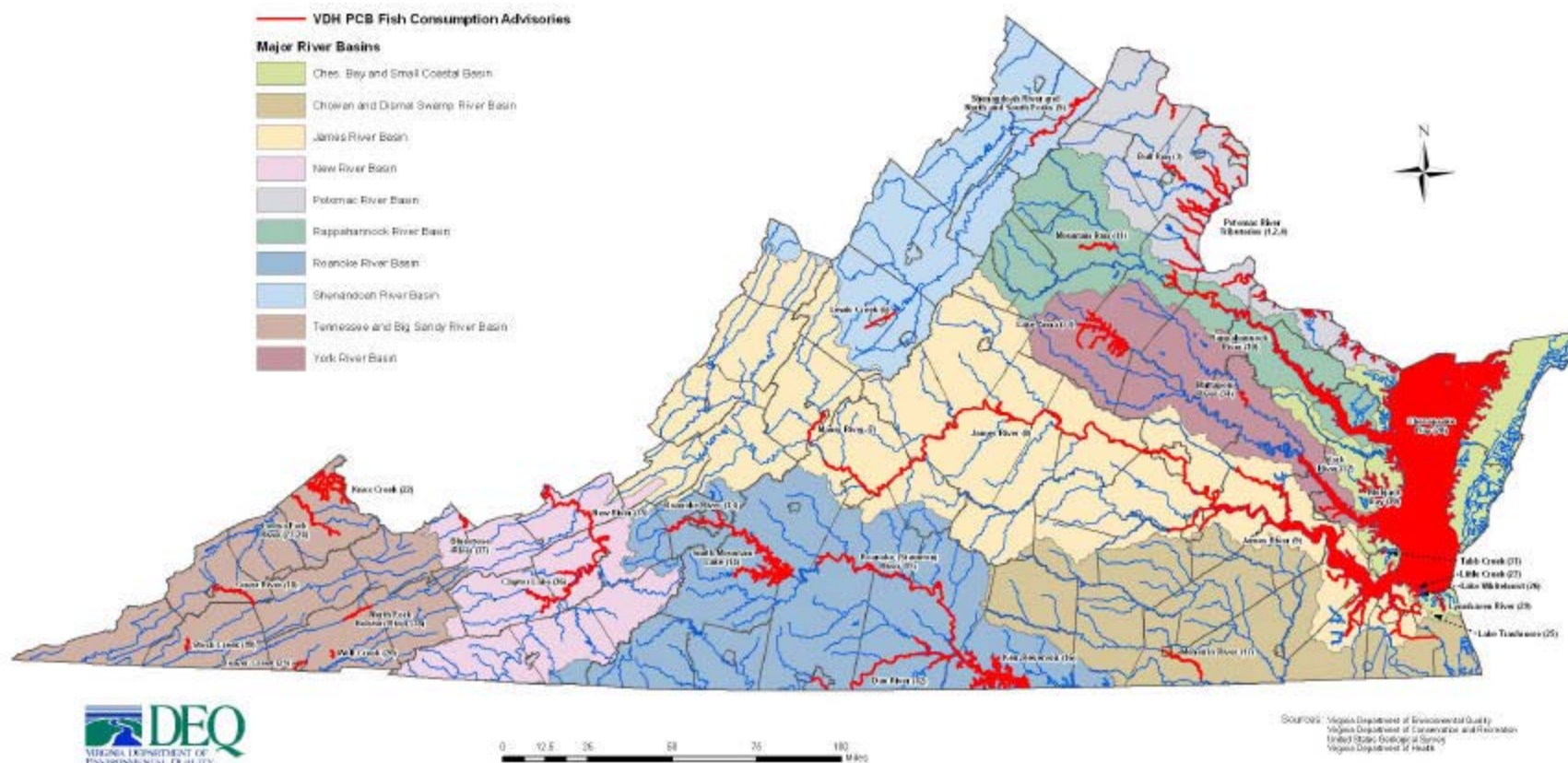
- review methods & processes
- advise on technical issues
- assist with guidance development
- assist with public outreach

# Background





# VDH PCB Fish Consumption Advisories (October 2004)



# What and When

- State and federal law require TMDLs to be developed for **impaired** waters
- Impaired waters do not meet applicable **water quality standards** (WQS)
- Waters that do not meet WQS do not support their **designated use(s)**



# How is a TMDL developed?

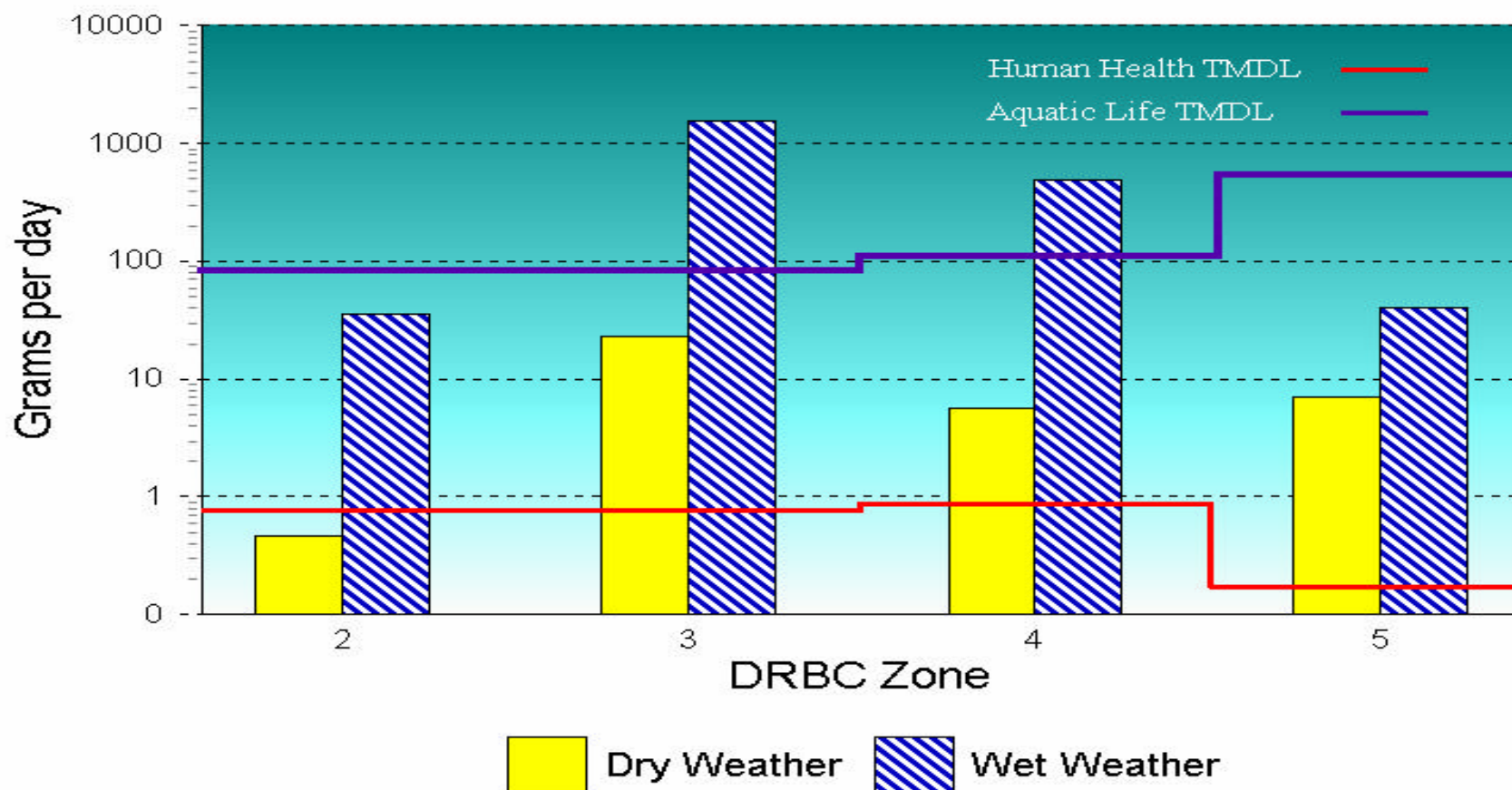
- Identify **all sources** of a given pollutant (e.g., PCBs) within the watershed.
- Calculate the **amount** of pollutant entering the estuary from each source.
- Include pollutant **fate and transport** .
- Calculate the **pollutant reductions needed**, by source, to attain water quality standards.
- **Allocate the allowable loading** to each source and include a margin of safety.

# Greg Cavallo, DRBC

Delaware River Basin Commission

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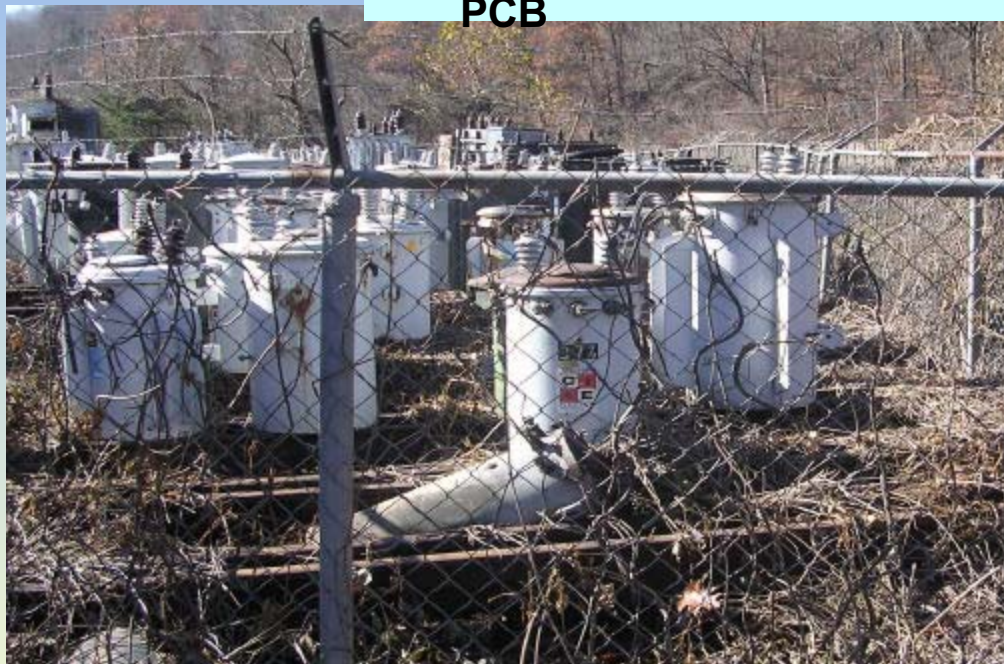
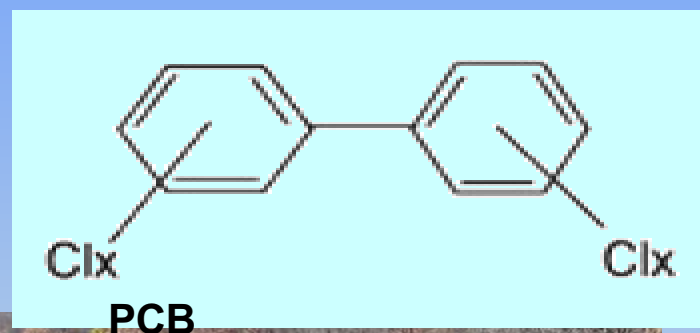
## PCB Mass Loading by Zone



# Mark Richards, DEQ

## Discussion Overview

- PCB Primer
- Sample Collection Options
- PCB Analysis
- QA/QC
- Interpreting Results
  - Decision Rules
- Effluent Results



# **Allan Brockenbrough - Permits How?**

- 1. Voluntary monitoring program**
- 2. Via VPDES Permit condition**
  - Would have to wait VPDES permit is modified/reissued**
- 3. Require by letter via 9 VAC 25-31-190.H.**

### 3. Require by letter via 9 VAC 25-31-190.H.

#### *H. Duty to Provide Information*

*The permittee shall furnish to the department, within a reasonable time, any information which the board may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating the permit or to determine compliance with the permit. The board may require the permittee to furnish, upon request, such plans, specifications, and other pertinent information as may be necessary to determine the effect of the wastes from his discharge on the quality of state waters, or such other information as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the law. The permittee shall also furnish to the department upon request, copies of records required to be kept by the permit.*

- **Used infrequently**
- **Initiate immediately**

# Current PCB TMDLs

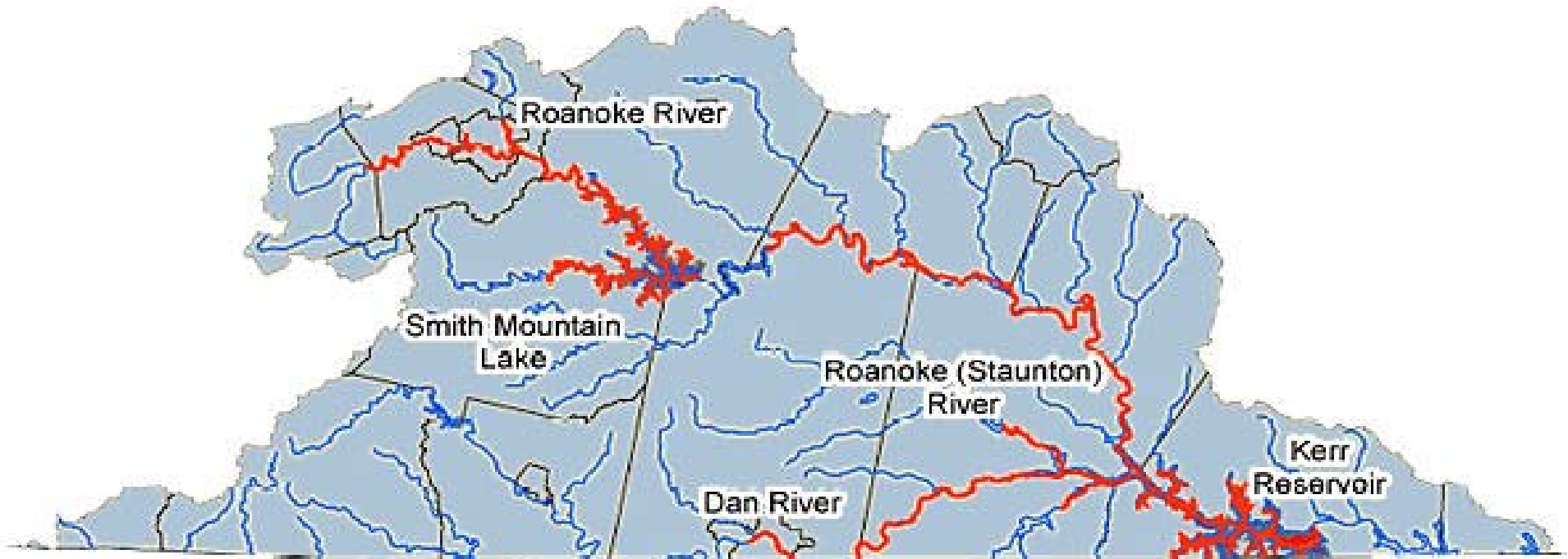
- Roanoke
- Bluestone
- Potomac River



## Roanoke River Basin

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### ■ PCB Fish Consumption Advisories

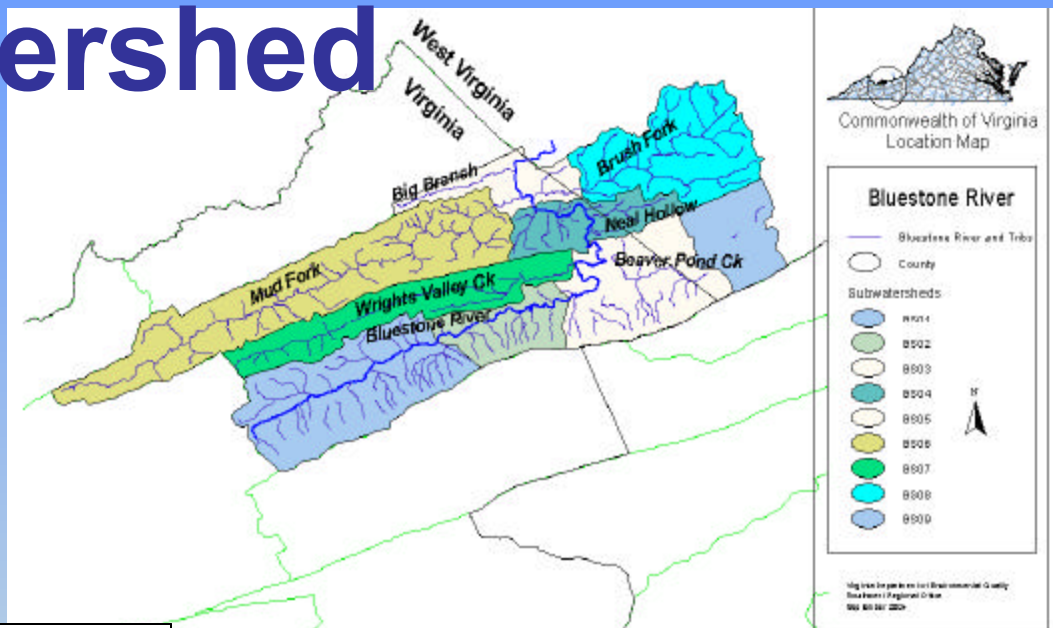


### Upper Roanoke River Monitoring :

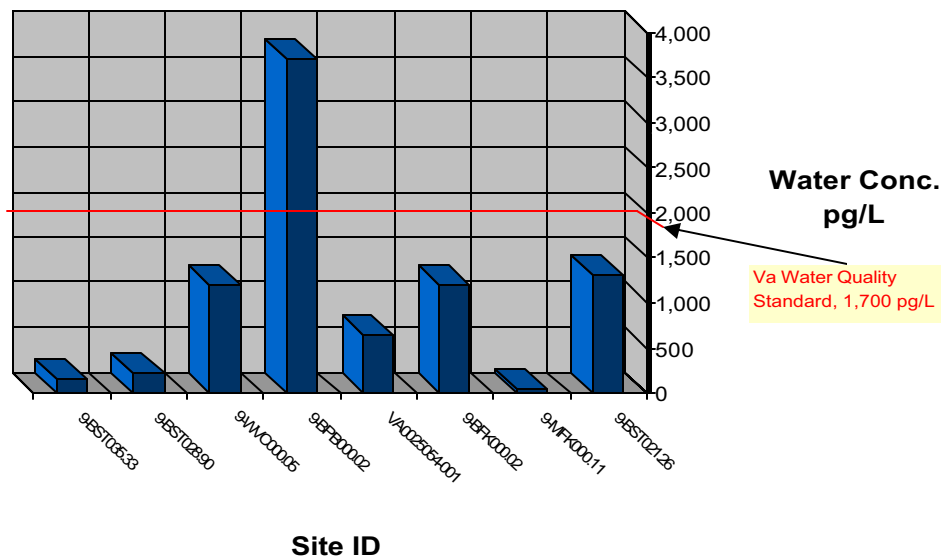
- Samples (SPMD + ambient)
- 30 stations (including 4 WWTPs) = \$ 75,000

# Bluestone Watershed

## 2004-2005



**SPMD Based Water PCB Concentrations in Bluestone River Watershed**



**Monitoring:**  
 8 stations (1 STP)  
 34 ambient samples +  
 atmospheric = **\$103,200**



# Tidal Potomac River

## PCB sample locations

- ▲ Ambient Water column sample
- ▲ Other sample
- ◼ WWTP

## Monitoring:

- ? 11 WWTP (25 samples) -
- ? ambient samples
- 31 SPMDs -
- 20 grabs (41 samples)
- Chain Bridge (5 samples)

Total = \$ 225,000

# Who -

## PCB impaired waters

- Municipal (1 mgd)
- CSOs
- Industrial (SIC list)
- Stormwater outfalls
- MS4
- Mining outfalls
- Non-contact cooling waters

# **- Recommendations -**

- **Requirements**
  - **Strategy w/n 2 yrs of TMDL**
  - **Formal vs voluntary**
- **Monitoring**
  - **Composite grab**
  - **Wet & Dry**
  - **1-3 each**

# **PCB Strategy**

**Llists 37 advisories divided into -**

**TMDL development groups:**

- near-term (TMDLs due by 2007)**
- mid-term (TMDLs due by 2009) and**
- long term (TMDLs due by 2011 through 2014 depending on priority)**



# PCB Strategy

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**monitoring requirements  
“formal notification vs voluntary”**

# PCB Strategy

- **long term**

**TMDLs due by 2011 through 2014 depending on priority**

Issues -

- formal notification vs voluntary
- re-issuance permit
- new permits

# Stormwater

## Permits

### Phase One

1. Industrial activities (including construction <sup>A,C</sup> and surface coal mining <sup>B</sup>)
2. Individual municipal (large and medium) w/ separate MS4 <sup>C</sup>
3. Construction activity <sup>C</sup> (land disturbance > 5 acres)

### Phase Two

1. Construction activity (land disturbances < 5 acres) <sup>C</sup>
2. Small MS4 <sup>C</sup>

A - DEQ

B - DMME

C - DCR

# **Industrials**

**Potential PCB  
Source**



**Stormwater**

**Direct discharge**

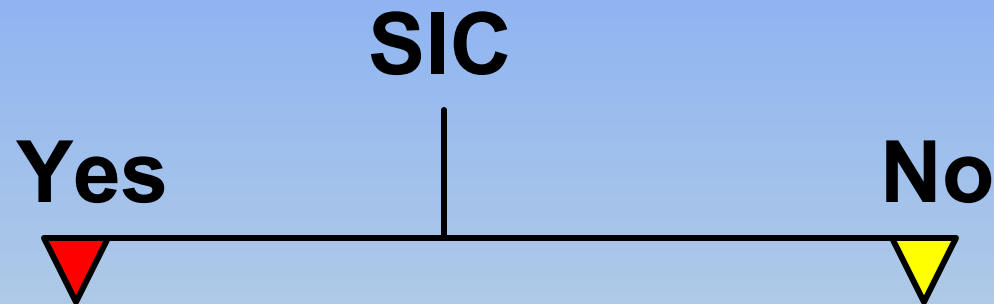
# **Probable source of PCB**

## **- industrial / commercial -**

<b>SIC Code</b>	<b>Code Name Facility</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Paper and Allied Products</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Rubber and Misc. Plastics</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Primary Metal Industries</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Fabricated Metal Products</b>
<b>37</b>	<b>Transportation Equipment</b>
<b>49</b>	<b>Electrical, Gas and Sanitary Services</b>
<b>1221 &amp; 1222</b>	<b>Bituminous Coal</b>

**Source:** Belton et al. 2005

# Probable Source of PCBs



## Monitoring

- stormwater (# samples)
- effluent (# samples)

## Options

- Monitoring
- Affidavit



# Schedule

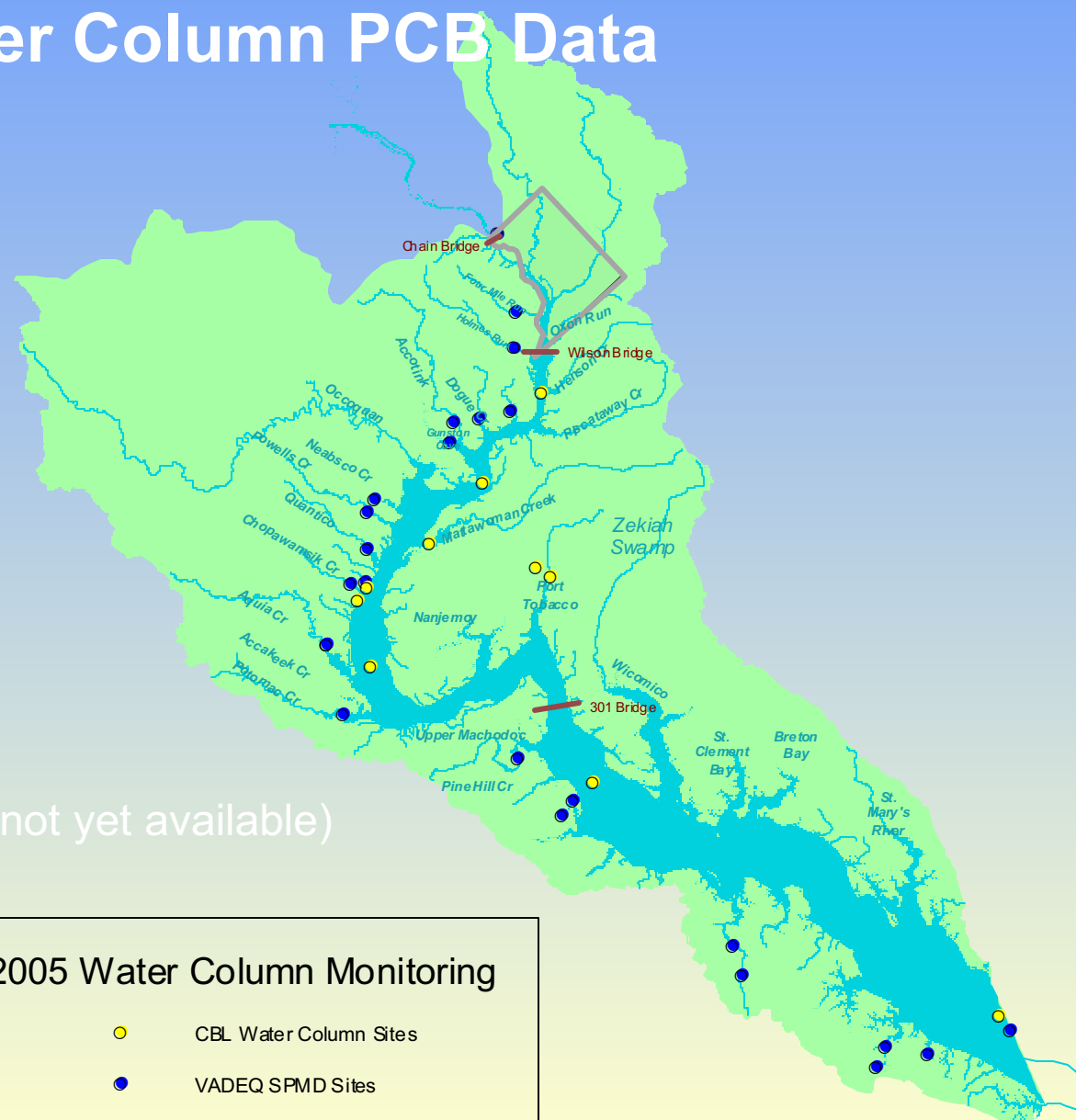
- **Summary**
  - Minutes to TAC
  - Post on web
- **Meetings**
  - *March 29<sup>th</sup>*
  - *June with draft guidance*
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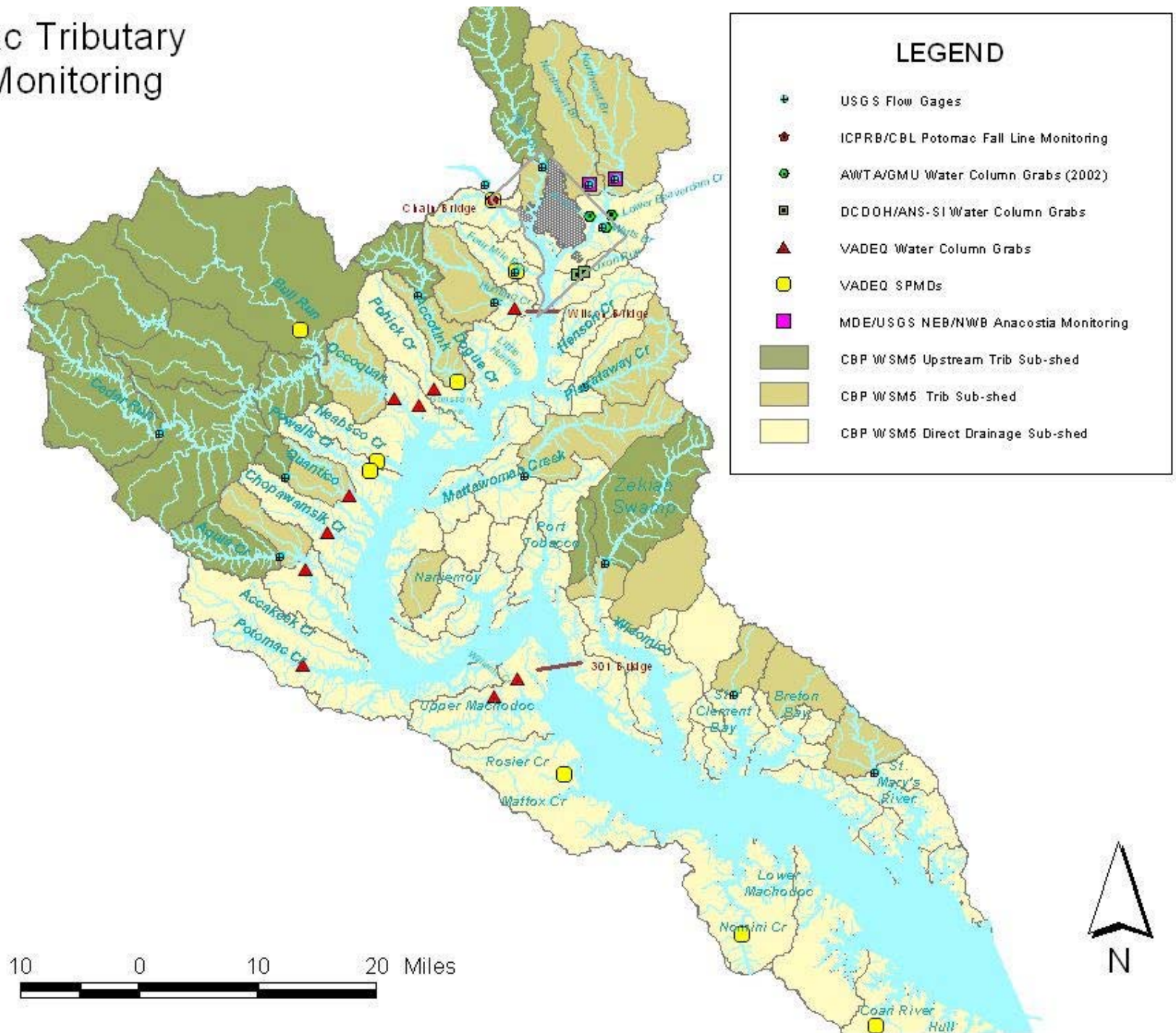
# Extras

# Potomac River

## Ambient Water Column PCB Data



# Potomac Tributary PCB Monitoring



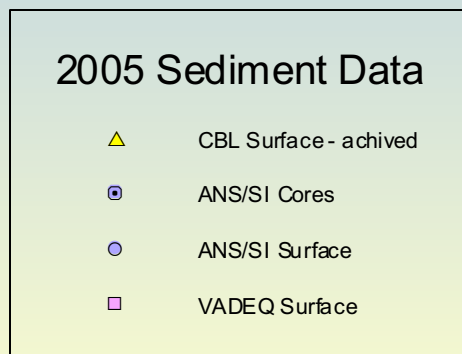


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- break -



# Potomac River Sediment PCB Data





# Bluestone

